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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-2 and 9, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.